

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A tennis bag comprising:
 - a front wall;
 - a rear wall positioned in spaced relation to the front wall and defining a longitudinal center axis;
 - opposing first and second side walls connecting the front wall and the rear wall, the first and second side walls meeting at an apex;
 - a bottom wall coupled to the first and second side walls, the front wall, and the rear wall;
 - an accessory compartment defined by the front wall and the rear wall, the accessory compartment including an upper center portion, a first lower corner portion laterally offset from the center upper portion, and a second lower corner portion laterally offset from the upper center portion;
 - an accessory compartment closing member configured to close an opening to the accessory compartment between the front wall and the rear wall, the accessory compartment closing member extending within portions of both the first side wall and the second side wall;
 - a racquet panel coupled to the front wall;
 - a racquet compartment defined by the front wall and the racquet panel;
 - a racquet compartment closing member coupled to the racquet panel and configured to close at least a portion of an opening between the front wall and the racquet panel;
 - a carrying strap having an upper end and a lower end, the upper end being coupled to the upper center portion of the rear wall proximate the longitudinal center axis and proximate the apex;
 - a releasable fastening member coupled to the lower end of the strap;
 - a first mating fastening member coupled proximate the first lower corner portion of the accessory compartment and laterally offset from the longitudinal center axis;

a second mating fastening member coupled proximate the second lower corner portion of the accessory compartment, the second mating fastening member positioned in spaced relation to the first mating fastening member and laterally offset from the longitudinal center axis; and

wherein the releasable fastening member is configured to be selectively coupled to one of the first and second mating fastening members.

2. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 1, wherein the carrying strap includes a support portion, a padded portion, and a plurality of loops coupling the padded portion to the support portion.

3. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 2, further comprising a carrying handle coupled proximate the upper center portion of the storage compartment, the carrying handle including a use mode of operation in which the carrying handle extends above the upper center portion of the accessory compartment, and a storage mode of operation in which the carrying handle is secured intermediate the padded portion and at least one of the loops.

4. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 1, further comprising a center partition received within the racquet compartment and defining a first racquet pocket and a second racquet pocket in spaced relation to the first racquet pocket.

5. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 4, further comprising a first racquet pocket closing member coupled to the center partition and configured to at least partially close an opening to the first racquet pocket, and a second racquet pocket closing member coupled to the center partition and configured to at least partially close an opening to the second racquet pocket.

6. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 1, wherein the racquet compartment includes opposing first and second sides, a bottom, and a top defining a generally truncated egg-shaped cross-section configured to conform to the shape of a racquet head.

7. (Previously Presented) The tennis bag of claim 1, wherein the carrying strap is coupled to a retaining member, and the rear wall includes a convertible pocket configured to receive the retaining member.

8. (Previously Presented) The tennis bag of claim 7, further comprising a releasable securing member coupled to an interior of the convertible pocket, the securing member being configured to releasably secure the retaining member within the convertible pocket.

9. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 1, wherein the accessory compartment includes a ball storage pocket coupled to at least one of the rear wall and the front wall, the ball storage compartment configured to receive a canister of tennis balls and being angled upwardly from horizontal.

10. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 1, further comprising a pocket coupled to at least one of the front wall and the rear wall, a strap having a first end and a second end, the first end being coupled within the pocket, and a fence hook coupled to the second end of the strap.

11. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 1, further comprising a cooler compartment positioned in spaced relation to the racquet compartment.

12. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 1, further comprising a mobile phone holder releasably coupled to the carrying strap.

13. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 1, wherein the accessory compartment closing member comprises a zipper extending from a first end proximate the bottom wall upwardly within the second side wall around the apex to a second end within the first side wall.

14. (Previously Presented) The tennis bag of claim 1, wherein the accessory compartment closing member comprises a draw string extending around the upper center portion of the accessory compartment.

15. (Previously Presented) A tennis bag comprising:
a front wall;
a rear wall positioned in spaced relation to the front wall and including a first longitudinal axis;
an accessory compartment defined by the front wall and the rear wall, the accessory compartment including a first side, a second side, an upper portion and a lower portion;
an accessory compartment closing member positioned adjacent to the upper portion and extending from the first side to the second side of the accessory compartment;
a racquet panel coupled to the front wall and including a second longitudinal axis extending substantially parallel to the first longitudinal axis, the racquet panel including an arcuate first side edge, an arcuate second side edge, an arcuate lower edge coupled to the first and second side edges, and an upper edge positioned above the lower edge and coupled to the first and second side edges, the upper edge defining an upper opening between the racquet panel and the front wall;

a racquet compartment defined by the front wall and the racquet panel, the racquet compartment having a generally truncated egg-shaped cross-section defined by the first and second side edges, the lower edge, and the upper edge of the racquet panel, the racquet compartment further including an opening at the upper edge between the racquet panel and the front wall and conforming to the shape of a racquet head;

a carrying strap extending from the upper portion of the accessory compartment to the lower portion of the accessory compartment;

the accessory compartment including an upper center portion, a first lower corner portion laterally offset from the center upper portion, and a second lower corner portion laterally offset from the center upper portion;

the carrying strap including an upper end and a lower end, the upper end being coupled to the upper center portion of the accessory compartment proximate the first longitudinal center axis;

a releasable fastening member coupled to the lower end of the strap;

a first mating fastening member coupled proximate the first lower corner portion of the accessory compartment and laterally offset from the first longitudinal center axis;

a second mating fastening member coupled proximate the second lower corner portion of the accessory compartment, the second mating fastening member being positioned in spaced relation to the first mating fastening member and laterally offset from the first longitudinal center axis; and

wherein the releasable fastening member is configured to be selectively coupled to one of the first and second mating fastening members.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 15, further comprising a center partition received within the racquet compartment and defining a first racquet pocket and a second racquet pocket in spaced relation to the first racquet pocket.

18. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 17, wherein:

the first racquet pocket includes a side opening in one of the first and second sides of the racquet compartment, and a top opening in the top of the racquet compartment; and

the second racquet pocket includes a side opening in one of the first and second sides of the racquet compartment, and a top opening in the top of the racquet compartment.

19. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 18, further comprising:

a first racquet pocket closing member coupled to the racquet panel and configured to selectively close the side opening of the first racquet pocket; and

a second racquet pocket closing member coupled to the racquet panel and configured to selectively close the side opening of the second racquet pocket.

20. (Original) The tennis bag of claim 18, wherein the accessory compartment closing member comprises a zipper extending from a first end upwardly within the second side wall around the upper portion of the accessory compartment to a second end within the first side wall.

21-50. (Canceled)

51. (Original) A tennis bag comprising:

a front wall;

a rear wall positioned in spaced relation to the front wall and defining a longitudinal center axis;

opposing first and second side walls connecting the front wall and the rear wall, the first and second side walls meeting at an apex;

a bottom wall coupled to the first and second side walls, the front wall, and the rear wall;

an accessory compartment defined by the front wall and the rear wall, the accessory compartment including an upper center portion, a first lower corner portion laterally offset from the center upper portion, and a second lower corner portion laterally offset from the upper center portion;

an accessory compartment closing member configured to close an opening to the accessory compartment between the front wall and the rear wall, the accessory compartment extending from a first end proximate the bottom wall upwardly within the second side wall around the apex to a second end within the first side wall;

a racquet panel coupled to the front wall;

a racquet compartment defined by the front wall and the racquet panel;

a carrying strap having an upper end and a lower end, the upper end being coupled to the upper center portion of the accessory compartment proximate the longitudinal center axis;

a releasable fastening member coupled to the lower end of the strap;

a first mating fastening member coupled proximate the first lower corner portion of the accessory compartment and laterally offset from the longitudinal center axis;

a second mating fastening member coupled proximate the second lower corner portion of the accessory compartment, the second mating fastening member positioned in spaced relation to the first mating fastening member and laterally offset from the longitudinal center axis;

the releasable fastening member being configured to be selectively coupled to one of the first and second mating fastening members;

a center partition received within the racquet compartment and defining first and second racquet pockets;

the first racquet pocket including a side opening in one of the first and second sides of the racquet compartment, and a top opening in the top of the racquet compartment;

the second racquet pocket including a side opening in one of the first and second sides of the racquet compartment, and a top opening in the top of the racquet compartment;

a first racquet pocket closing member coupled to the racquet panel and configured to selectively close the side opening of the first racquet pocket;

a second racquet pocket closing member coupled to the racquet panel and configured to selectively close the side opening of the second racquet pocket;

a ball storage pocket received within the accessory compartment and coupled to one of the rear wall and the front wall, the ball storage compartment configured to receive a canister of tennis balls and being angled upwardly from horizontal;

a cooler compartment coupled to one of the accessory compartment and the racquet compartment;

a pocket coupled to the rear wall;

a connector having a first end and a second end, the first end coupled within the pocket; and

a fence hook coupled to the second end of the connector.